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# U. S. SOLDIERS SLAIN D. C. TO HAVE TWO BY MEXICAN BAND

der Guards Killed in Forty-Minute Battle.

**EIGHT MEN WOUNDED** BY THE RAIDING FORCE

Bandits Make Their Escape, Leaving Five Dead-Display "Viva Villa!" on Hatbands.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Octomiles up the Rio Grande from cials of the schols are in hearty ac-here. Three soldiers were killed cord over the extension of this work. and eight wounded, and at least five Mexicans slain in the fortyminute battle which followed. inforcements came up.

Mexicans slain in the fight had white hatbands bearing the words, "Viva Villa!"

Ojo de Agua is near the river. Dense brush, which even in daylight limits the range of vision often to a few feet, afforded the Mexicans perfect cover as they scattered into small groups and made toward the Mexican boundary.

#### Failed to Surprise Americans.

The bandits apparently failed in their purpose to take the American troops by A picket reported their presence in time to give the troopers a perate resistance against odds. The members of Troop G, 3d Cavalry, and

Sergt. Sharer of Troop G commanded the entire detachment. He was killed

ting, held their ground, although half of them were put out of commisseven miles away, where Cant Frank R. McCoy of the 3d Cavalry had a considerable force in reserve. Capt. Mc-Coy took two troops of cavalry, to-taling about sixty men, to the rescue and the Mexicans fied.

### Five Dead Mexicans Found.

SAN ANTONIO, October 21.-Details of the fight in which three United wounded are lacking, but in the preliminary report from Capt. Frank R. McCoy, received at southern depart-ment headquarters at 3:45 o'clock this morning, the information was given that five dead Mexicans had been found in the dark after the attacking party

## U. S. CUSTOMS OFFICERS NOTIFIED OF EMBARGO

These Along Mexican Border Told Not to Permit Shipments of Arms. Except for Carranza.

Orders were sent today from the Treas-ury Department to customs officials all along the Mexican border and at all ports of the United States not to permit shipments of arms and ammunition into Mex-Ican territory, except for the use of the Carranzistas, in accordance with President Wilson's proclamation issued yes-

George C. Camthers, for the last three years special agent of the State Depart-ment attached to Gen. Villa's army, has been withdrawn as one of the consequences of the recognition of Gen. Carranga. Hereafter the American government will have no official dealings with Villa. Carothers is on his way to Douglas, Ariz., opposite which place in Mexco the Carranza garrison is threatened with attack by Villa troops.

### Cannot Sell Property in U. S.

If Gen. Villa confiscates mines, smelters, cattle, or other sources of revenue in territory he controls, as confidential advices to the State Department today indicate he is preparing to do, this government will find a way to prevent him from disposing of the property in the United States.

Two methods of procedure may be pursued. The first is the closing of all ports of entry on the border between Texas and the states of Sonora and Chihauhau. The second is the holding for rightful owners of confiscated property shipped across the border. There is precedent for both methods.

Villa's Friends Tell Him to Quit.

NEW YORK, October 21—Leaders

NEW YORK, October 21.-Leaders here of the Mexican conventionist party, of which Gen. Villa is the head, were reported today to have notified

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an Increase of Six Over Last Year.

Washington is to have two high school cadet regiments this year, making the high school military organi its history. Officers of the eighteen ompanies-six more than in any pre vious year— were announced today by Stephen E. Kramer, assistant superintendent of schools, who is directly in charge of the cadets.

It is probable that with the additional companies, and the possibility of even more being added in February, when several hundred new pupils will ber 21.—About seventy-five Mexi- enter the high schools, the activities cans at 2 o'clock this morning at-L. Thurston, superintendent of public tacked fifteen American soldiers schools; Ernest H. Daniel, chalrman of at Ojo de Agua, about sixty the military committee, and various other members of the board and offi-

#### Increase in Companies.

Every school with the exception of Some of the Mexicans fled across Training School and Central High the Rio Grande into Mexican ter- ness High has three; Eastern has two School each has six companies; Busiritory, when American cavalry re- and Western one. The new officers are:

ness High has three; Eastern has two and Western one. The new officers are:
Carl Wood, major, 4th Battalion.
Western—Captain, John Welchel; first lieutenant, John P. Earnest; second lieutenant, Warren Birge.
Eastern—Captains, Earnest W. Barkman, Charles M. Botler; first lieutenants, William L. Douglas, Edwin R. Handy; second lieutenants, Herbert C. Graves, T. David Gates.
Central—Captains A. S. De Neale, L. W. Simon, H. M. Jones, J. W. Belcher, F. K. White L. W. Turoff; first lieutenants, A. D. McLachlen I. D. Syme, H. H. Dewhirst, R. L. Farris, D. O. Starr, S. V. Duffies, second lieutenants, W. R. Thomas J. E. Raymond, M. J. Jackson, J. W. Wood, two others to be named; battalion adjutant, rank of first lieutenant, W. J. Flood; battalion quartermaster, rank of second lieutenant, L. H. Greenberg.

Business and McKinley.

Business and McKinley. Business-Captains, George Henlock D. B. Groff and L. H. Byron; first lieutenants, W. E. Griffin, H. K. Wassman Alvin Cross, M. E. Hartley and R. R.

and with him Privates Joyce and McConnell of the Signal Corps. Five cavalrymen were wounded, Privates Bowner. Behr, Langlands, Shallenback and Kuble, and also three Signal Corps men, Sergt. Smith, Corporal Cansler and Private Stewart.

The fifteen soldiers, fighting five to one against Mexicans skilled in brush

Palmer.

McKinley—Captains, D. C. Cooper, J.

M. Stockard, C. G. Zobel, R. Rudolph, F. E. Hildebrand and D. Zirkin; first lieutenants, L. G. Smith, G. M. Nairn, A. H. Whitney, S. P. Corning, W. C. Scott and J. D. Eggleston; second lieutenants, D. W. Marshall, J. G. Bylar, F. Chirleienson, S. W. Dodge, R. D. Gessford and G. Blesett; battalion adjutant, W. V. Pettit; battalion quartermaster, E. R. French.

Petiti; battailon quartermaster, E. R. French.

Business High School—Non-commissioned officers—First sergeants, W. Johnston, D. H. Moore and J. Cronie; second sergeants, J. C. Wilkes, W. E. Vaughn and E. R. Dornoff; third sergeants, M. B. Tonkin, S. C. Taylor and W. Himes; fourth sergeants, C. E. Gill, W. J. Clements and L. E. Brandon; fifth sergeants, E. C. Gass, K. G. Newell and J. Sprinkle; corporals, H. E. Horan, L. Finagin, E. Noetzel, K. Markward, S. O'Dea, L. S. Mann, L. Kaletski, I. T. Glascock, F. Umhau, C. Conrad, M. Biron, F. Tuck and E. Burg.

# "DRYS" PLANNING ANTI-LIQUOR FIGHT

Organizations Opposing Saloons Think House Committee/ Will Favor Prohibition.

Prohibitionists are hard at work planning a "dry" measure for the District of Columbia, and as soon as the District ommittees of Congress are appointed i s expected the greatest anti-liquor campaign ever seen locally will be started. Men competent along legal lines are now studying the effect of several "dry" state laws, and up to date the Alabama and West Virginia measures have attracted the greatest favorable comment. It may be possible that a bill modeled along the lines of these laws will be introduced in both houses early in the first session of the Sixty-fourth Congress

Members of the anti-saloon organizations believe firmly that the personnel of the House District committee for the coming session will be favorable to dry measure, or at least to a hearing on it. They figure it in this way: Representative Underwood, as chairman of the committee on committees, was never open-handed with the anti-liquor people although he was not a liquor man.

Representative Kitchin, the new leader is said to be favorable to the Anti-Saloon

### INVITED TO CO-OPERATE.

him that he must give up
against Gen. Carranza and come to the
against Gen. Carranza and come to the
united States. Unless he does so, it
was stated, all of his generals of prominence will quit him.
Villa is now said to be undecided
whether to come to this country or to
continue fighting the Carranza government with such men as remain with
him.

DANZA CURRENCY UP.

Lival
Were fivited by the national Americanization committee today to co-operate in a
movement to develop ideals of American
citizenship efficiency and the civilian
side of preparedness throughout the
country. The committee was organized
at a meeting in the home of Vincent
Astor, October 15. Universities and Colleges to Aid Na

Continued Advance in Value Noted,

Says Agency Here.

Continued advance in the value of the currency of the constitutionalist government of Mexico is noted in the cable addition. Trained leaders, the committee many people of this country into one nation for peace of war.

# WILL CALL CAUCUS CADET REGIMENTS ON ARMY INCREASE

Three of Force of Fifteen Bor- Eighteen Companies Formed, House Democrats to Consolidate in Support of the Administration Program.

> CHAIRMAN HAY TO SUBMIT BILL TO THE PRESIDENT

Increased Force of Regulars and Enlistments Under Continental Plan Largely in Favor.

An early caucus to consolidate the democratic majority in favor of the administration's army plans will be called by the leaders of the House and it is expected that enough mem bers will be pledged to support the bill to prevent republicans from upsetting and embarrassing the plans for a continental army and a larger force of regulars. This has been determined upon in the last few days, according to House leaders who have been in communication with one another; and it is evident that since Representative Hay, chairman of the House committee on military affairs, talked with the President a few days ago, there is conthe way of the bill through the House will be stormy. There will be fights against it, of course, but House mem bers now think the democrats wil bind themselves in caucus to keep a solid front.

Chairman Hay to Submit Views. There are also indications that Chair-House with a practical plan for writscientiously support. This, it is stated, will embody essentially the administrawill embody essentially the administra-tion plans. Chairman Hay will first work to bring the House democrats to-gether on the subject, because it is leared that with a greatly reduced ma-jority the democratic plans may be badly mauled by recalcifrant demo-crats voting with the republicans. No one interviewed as yet has given any clear idea of what the republican tac-tics regarding the army measure will be, but all democrats are of a mind that tics regarding the army measure will one but all democrats are of a mind that it is best to be wary. The republicans might easily upset the program if they have a chance. At any rate, it is known that Chairman Hay is going to take the leadership of the house in his own hands in his own way in order to get the bill through.

#### Approval of Continental Army.

Large corporations are beginning to write to Washington expressing their approval of the continental army plan, ness to allow men leave for military service on full pay. Enlistments would be for six years, but service would oc cupy only two months a year for three years, the remaining three years being

years, the remaining three years being merely to keep a large force in reserve.

The question of officers, which was uppermost in the minds of many army enthusiasts, has been partly answered, masmuch as the administration proposes to ask for an increase of .144 cadets at West Point, bringing the corps up to a capacity of 779 men. By this means, promotion of qualified men from the ranks, and appointments to from the ranks, and appointments to schools at least 1,000 officers can soon be added to the army.

### Secretary Garrison's Plans.

The War Department's side of the administration's national defense program will be the skeleton or basis for the development of further prepara tions, according to a statement made by Secretary Garrison today. He said

by Secretary Garrison today. He said he did not propose to come out with a long statement containing a lot of details which would not be read anywhere.

The program, he said, will be made up of a backbone and the ribs. The question of valves and details of construction will have to come later.

"To teach a man medicine you have to show him the skeleton first," he said.

### What the Estimates Will Include.

War Department estimates will in clude an appropriation for fortifications at San Pedro, Cal., near Los An geles. Details of the estimates have not been made public, but it is under-stood sixteen-inch guns will be installed at Fort MacArthur, as the por is known. It is also understood that additions will be made to the San Francisco defenses, sixteen-inch guns being installed to command the en-trance of the harbor and a wide reach of coast line to the north and south. Other Pacific defenses of this character will be installed on Puget sound.

### NOT A UNIT IN FAVOR OF BIG BATTLE CRUISER

Many Naval Officials Preferred Smaller and Less Expensive Vessels, It Is Stated.

be built within the next five years, navy officials and naval officers, t was learned today, are not unanimous in favor ing this type of ship. Before Secretary Daniels decided to recommeind the big ships, an alternative plan for another type of vessel to cost about a third as much had many adherents. The chief reason for favoring the smaller and less expensive ships, it is said, was that for the amount to be expended on the battle cruisers eighteen of the

f super scout cruisers ranging from 7,500 to 10,000 tons displacement, with



# AS NATIONAL THANKSGIVING DAY

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

### A Proclamation

It has long been the honored custom of our people to turn in the fruitful autumn of the year in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for His many blessings and mercies to us as a nation. The year that is now drawing to a close since we last observed our day of national thanksgiving has been, while a year of discipline because of the mighty forces of war and of change which have disturbed the world, also a year of special blessing for us. Another year of peace has been vouchsafed us; another year in

which not only to take thought of our duty to ourselves and to mankind, but also to adjust ourselves to the many responsibilities thrust upon us by a war which has involved almost the whole of Europe. We to assert our rights and the rights of m breach of friendship with the great nations with whom we have had to deal; and while we have asserted rights we have been able also to perform duties and exercise privileges of succor and helpfulness which should serve to demonstrate our desire to make the offices of friendship the means of truly disinterested and unselfish service. Our ability to serve all who could avail themselves of our services in the midst of crisis has been increased, by a gracious Providence, by more and more abundant crops; our ample financial resources have enabled us to steady the markets of the world and facilitate necessary movements of commerce which the war might otherwise have rendered impossible; and our people have come more and more to a sober realization of the part they have been called upon to play in a time when all the world is shaken by unparalleled distresses and disasters. The extraordinary circumstances of such a time have done much to quicken our national consciousness and deepen and confirm our confidence in the principles of peace and freedom by which we have always sought to be guided. Out of darkness and perplexity have come firmer counsels of policy and clearer perceptions of the essential welfare of the nation. We have prospered while other peoples were at war, but our prosperity has been vouchsafed us, we believe, only that we might the better perform the functions which war rendered

NOW, THEREFORE, I. WOODROW WILSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, the twentyfifth of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, and invite the people throughout the land to cease from their wonted occupations and in their several homes and places of worship render thanks to Almighty God. IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused

the seal of the United States to be affixed Done at the city of Washington this twentieth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and of

the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fortleth. By the President: WOODROW WILSON.

ROBERT LANSING, (SEAL) Secretary of State.

### With Our Red Cross Workers in Vienna.

American Red Cross hospital in Vienna is performing a remarkable mission for wounded soldiers. One who has inspected it writes a vivid description of it in The Sunday Star.

while the general board of the navy communication lines, destroying his has approved plane for six eight-gun, communication lines, destroying his communication lines, destroy destroyers. Suggestion of Forty-Knot Speed.

It is said that a speed of forty knots for these ships was suggested to enable them to flee from any enemy of greater gun power but slower speed,

that for the amount to be expended on the theory, it is said, that since but the battle cruisers eighteen of the other type could have been built and equipped, probably in considerably less time.

Alternative Plan Proposed.

The alternative plan suggested a type of super scout cruisers ranging from

result of 10,000 tons displacement, with very light armor, and equipped with only two fourteen-inch guns each, one mounted forward and one aft on the decks, without turrer protection.

By this great saving in weight, vessels of high speed, great endurance and wide cruising radius could have been obtained to reinforce the slower and smaller scout cruisers and destroyers in their mission of breaking at enemy's light armor, and equipped with very light armor, and equipped with only fourteen-inch guns each, one BERKELEY, Cal., October 21.—What is claimed to be a new record for voluntary suspension of respiration has been made to the stock exchange. Before the end of the first twenty minutes bethe end of the first twenty minutes bethe end of the first twenty minutes. She was married to Smith, president of the reorganized to sales of 400 shores at the opening to suspension of respiration has been made to the first twenty minutes. She was married to Smith in 1898 at Bethlehem Steel had extended its rise and an entire or the war. Bethlehem Steel had extended its rise and a successful his father as leader to have the new high record price of 550, an overnight gain of 21 points, on sales of 400 shores at the opening that the other of the reorganized of the stock exchange. Before the end of the first twenty minutes bethe end of the first twenty minutes. She was married to Smith in 1898 at Independence, Mo., near here, last night. She was married to Smith in 1898 at Independence of the end of the first twenty minutes. She was married to Smith, president of the reorganized of the stock exchange. Before the end of the first twenty minutes bethe end of the first twenty minutes. She was married to Smith in 1898 at Independence, Mo., near here, last night. She was married to Smith in 1898 at Independence with the end of the first twenty minutes. She was married to Smith of 550, an overnight gain of 21 points, on sales of Holds Breath 10 Minutes 10 Seconds

Sayville, N. Y.-The Overseas News Agency says: "Private reports from Petrograd say further riots have taken place there. A

such as a battle cruiser.

The navy general board, however, favored construction of the bigger ships on the theory, it is said, that since European navies were equipped with bat-BETHLEHEM STEEL AT 599 7-8.

#### New Record Price Achieved After Overnight Gain of 21 Points.

NEW YORK, October 21.—Bethlehen Steel made the new high record price

## ON HALF AND HALF Oral Arguments Begin Monday

### **Before Joint Congressional** Committee.

One leading feature of the demand for suffrage is that its granting will give labor added influence in politics and weaken the power of the machine congruing, the oral hearings will be begun immediately, according to members of the committee today. It is expected that Senator Chilton of West Virginia, the chairman of the committee, will be on hand at that time. In the meantime Senator Saulsbury of Delaware is acting chairman.

Today the members of the committee were busily engaged studying the briefs which have been filed with the committee by the joint citizens committee, Herbert J. Browne, the Tax Reform Association and others. The committeemen are approaching the investigation of the fiscal relations between the District and the federal government with open minds and are seeking all the information which may be of value to them in settling the problem.

Taxation to Be Studied.

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Allies Awaited Anxiously.

The situation grows more and more thanking women to the fight of an organization of the cambine days the Nish official statement. "The resistance of the Serbian troops is desperate and heroic, but the state of New Jersey politically betrayed them.

We call upon Catholic working women to make it known that class legislation, when that class legislation, when that class legislation, when that class legislation, when the state of New Jersey politically betrayed them.

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### While the main issue before the com-

mittee is to determine whether the present share of the District's expenses now paid by the federal governmentone-half-shall be continued, it is anparent that the question of taxation in the District, the method in practice and the administration thereof, will be carefully looked into by the committee. Some of the members believe that the system of taxation is so closely connected with the question of what proportion of the District's expenses shall be borne by the government that it must be given consideration.

Two of the briefs filed with the com-Two of the briefs filed with the committee, those of the Tax Reform Association and Herbert J. Browne, attack the present system of taxation, urging that the assessments be levied in the future upon the land alone and that improvements be exempted from assessment. Their arguments are virtually those of the single-taxers. Personal taxes should be done away with, it is contended, on the ground that they are not and cannot be imposed efficiently.

### Differ as to Conclusion.

While Mr. Browne in his brief contends that the District taxation should be sufficient eventually to meet all the expenses of the District without aid from the government, the Tax Reform Association holds that the government is in duty bound to contribute to the expenditures of the District.

BERLIN HEARS REPORTS

OF RIOTS IN PETROGRAD

BERLIN, October 21, by wireless to layville, N. Y.—The Overseas News

#### KING ALBERT REFUSES TO START PEACE STEPS

ROME, October 21.-Pope Benedict has just received from King Albert of Belgium a reply to an autograph letter from the Pope arging the king to initiate steps looking to the conclusion of peace. King Albert replied in the negative.

### Mrs. Ada R. Smith Dies.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., October 21.— Mrs. Ada R. Smith, widow of Joseph Smith, president of the reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints, died at

## **WOMEN TRANSFER** FIGHT TO NEW YORK

Undismayed by Result in New Jersey, They Enter Campaign With Zeal.

STEPS ARE TO-BE TAKEN TO MINIMIZE FRAUDS

Appeal for Support of Suffrage Is Made to Organized Labor-Catholic Society Enlists.

BY N. O. MESSENGER.

NEW YORK, October 21.-The first forty-eight hours after the defeat of oman suffrage in New Jersey have d eloped a remarkable impetus to the campaign in this state on that issue which will be decided at the polls Norember 2. The defeat in New Jersey is attributed to the influence of ele ments which lie at the very founding of the demand of women for the right of suffrage.

of suffrage.

Contributions of money and offers of assistance are pouring into the lap of the women's organization in New York from women in all stages of society and civic life. together with additional assurances of support from men who will have votes to cast in behalf of the cause at the coming election.

The truly admirable campaign committees which are conducting the fight for suffrage along practical political lines are taking leaves from the lesson taught in the New Jersey election and tightening up their organization lines. Steps\_will be taken to minimize fraud, as the conviction is strong that party machinery opposition to the cause will employ as far as possible all its familiar appliances.

Alleged Effect on Labor Banks.

Alleged Effect on Labor Ranks. The woman managers say that the New Jersey defeat has aroused to bitterness the men in labor circles, who are contending for the extension of suffrage to their fellow-workers as a strengthening of their own protection

strengthening of their own protection against party machine politics.

A wide class cleavage is being wrought among women by the pendency of the suffrage campaign, and it is taking on a sinister aspect. The women charge that the opposition to their demand for the ballot by members of their own sex comes principally from the leisure class—from women in the protected environment, who lack sympathy for the round million of wage-earning women who constitute one-third of the total number of women in New York state.

In the teeming sweat shops of the East Side, in the crowded cloak and suit factories that occupy the great loft buildings from 15th street to 42d street and in the innumerable factories throughout the state, where men and women toil side by side, this feeling of class opposition is being fostered and the male voters witness day by day object lessons in the application of the arguments advanced by the woman campaigners.

#### oman campaigners. Feature of the Argument.

One leading feature of the demand for suffrage is that its granting will give

momentum all the time, and is expected to take whirlwind proportions after the big suffrage parade next Saturday. Day and night, from the Battery to the Bronx and East Side to West Side, the women are holding street-corner meetings, which attract crowds of the curious.

but the Bulgarians have taken the towns of Vranya and Volosso, cutting the line to Saloniki in two places."

This establishes the fact that the Bulgarians have captured the important railway town of Vranya, regarding which there is some doubt.

### Hope to Convert Scoffers.

Some who come to jeer may perhaps return to vote on election day, the the direction of Vranya. women hope, and at any rate they are women hope, and at any rate they are putting forth efforts for the conversion of the scoffers, which efforts are worthy of any cause. The talkers include many women of ability in that line and they make interesting addresses, many of which would seem to be convincing by the applause from the male auditors.

Of course, however, some of these momentarily enthused hearers may borrow from the women the right to change their minds and exert it on election day when the regular district leader or precinct captain coldlys designed.

The Serbian legation deni Bulgarians have occupied Za, stated that the two forts whi garians claim to have taken works for temporary fortifical were erected in 1915 and Serbians did not consider it to defend, the defenses of Za, moved to the rear.

Diplomats Delay Dep

eader or precinct captain coldly \* de-nands a show down as to how the con-

rearriance a snow down as to now the convert intends to vote.

That is what the women fear—the machine organization which is likely to be turned against them especially in this city. But they are going ahead bravely, determined to make the best fight possible, looking to the future for reward. for reward.

## \$150,000 Game of Whist

HE game lasted thirty - six hours, and at the end one of the players had lost \$150,000. Read H. Addington

Bruce's article on "The Man Who Gambles," in the next Sunday Magazine

of The

Sunday Star

## SERIOUS MENACE FOR SERB ARMIES **ADMITTED IN NISH**

Important Saloniki Railroad Now Has Been Cut at Two Places.

ARE PRESSING ADVANCE Great Battle Going On on the

**BULGARIAN FORCES** 

Kotchana. FOE MARCHING ON USKUP

Heights of Vlassona and

Serbians Fall Back on Point After Occupation of Istip and Kotchana. Rumanian King Threatened With Uprising.

PARIS, October 21 .- An official statement issued at Nish says that the Serbian army is now menaced seriously. The Serbian war office says the railroad line to Saloniki has been cut in two

The Athens correspondent of the Havas Agency sends the following dispatch under yesterday's

"A great battle is going on on the heights of Vlassona and Kotchana. The Bulgarian object seems to be to march on Monastir so as to cut communications with Saloniki. In the Negotin region two Bulgarian attacks

have been repulsed. "The newspapers state that after the occupation of Istip and Kotchana by the Bulgarians the Serbians fell back on Uskup. The population of Uskup has left. Communications between Nish

and Uskup are cut. "The Bulgarian army is advancing rapidly on Kumanovo and Uskup, according to informa-

tion from a Bulgarian source." Wireless reports received in Berlin from Sofia say that the

"The Serblans in the north hold the Rakhanatz - Alexanderovatz - Daihgolobovl and the Asagna-Kosmal lines and the right bank of the Kolonbaza. On the eastern front they hold the Zalotchavl-Kolatzovatz-Pirot-Vlassina line, but the Bulgarians have taken the towns of Vranya and Volosso, cutting the line to Saloniki in two places."

### French Leave Gievgeli.

French troops guarding the commun cations are said to have left Gievgeli in

The Serbian legation denles that the Bulgarians have occupied Zajecar. It is stated that the two forts which the Bulgarians claim to have taken are ancient works for temporary fortifications which were erected in 1915 and which the to defend, the defenses of Zajecar having

Diplomats Delay Departure.

The diplomatic corps at Nish, Serbia after preparing to quit that city for Monastir, postponed their departure, communications having been cut with Sa-loniki, according to a special dispatch

Violent Campaign in Rumania.

Dispatches from Bucharest indicate hat a violent campaign is being waged in Rumania over the question of that country's intervention in the war. One of the Bucharest opposition newspapers, according to the dispatches, ha gone so far as to threaten the king with

a popular rising.

Much indignation has been caused in Rumania by the action of the Austrian authorities at Salzburg in arresting authorities at Salzburg in arresting Michael Cantacuzene, former Rumanian minister of justice, who was returning to Bucharest from Paris, whose arrest, it is alleged, was due to the finding of a letter in his possession addressed to M. Filipesco, leader of the conservative party in Rumania.

Russian Imperial Manifesto. PETROGRAD, October 21.-An im

perial manifesto declaring war against Bulgaria has just appeared under date of October 18. It was accompanied by a communication reviewing the friendly services of Russia for Bulgaria in the past, and pointing out "the treachery" of King Ferdinand. This communication says:

"When Turkey and Bulgaria were threatened with war on account of financial relations, the Russian government intervened in an amicable manner. Part of the Turkish debt to Russia was transferred to Bulgaria, whereby the latter, on advantageous conditions, was freed of all obligations to Turkey.

to Turkey.

'Thus having realised for Bulgaria its actual independence, Russia further displayed magnanimity toward the Bul-